

## CLAIMS

The embodiments of the invention in which an exclusive property or privilege is claimed are defined as follows:

- 5 1. A backpack for transporting a bicycle comprising:
  - (a) an external frame with at least one adjustable shoulder strap associated with the frame for securing the backpack to a users shoulder;
  - (b) an adjustable waist belt for securely holding the external frame in position;
  - (c) a connector associated with the external frame for releasable connecting a bicycle  
10 frame to the top of the external frame
2. The backpack as claimed in claim 1 further comprising:

at least one storage compartment associated with the outer side of the external frame.
- 15 3. The backpack as claimed in claim 2 further comprising:

a first storage compartment associated with the outer side of the external frame, the first storage compartment being fastened to the top of the external frame;

a second storage compartment associate with the outer side of the external frame, the second storage compartment being fastened to the bottom of the external frame.
- 20 4. The backpack as claimed in claim 3 further comprising:

a connector associated with the first and second storage compartments for releasably connecting the lower portion of the first storage compartment and the top portion of the

second storage compartment, which when connected define an internal cavity for including at least one bicycle wheel between the external frame and the storage compartments.

5. The backpack as claimed in claims 1-4 further comprising a hydration system.

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6. The backpack as claimed in claims 1-5 wherein the securing means for a bicycle frame comprises a plurality of fastening straps, each strap fixed to the external frame

7. A backpack for transporting a bicycle comprising:

10 (a) an external frame with at least one adjustable shoulder strap associated with the frame for securing the backpack to a users shoulder;

(b) an adjustable waist belt for securely holding the external frame in position;

(c) a connector associated with the external frame for releasable connecting a bicycle frame to the top of the external frame comprising a plurality of fastening straps, each

15 strap fixed to the external frame

(d) at least one storage compartment associated with the outer side of the external frame

(e) a hydration system.

8. The backpack as claimed in claim 7 wherein the securing means for a bicycle frame

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a first storage compartment associated with the outer side of the external frame, the first storage compartment being fastened to the top of the external frame;

a second storage compartment associate with the outer side of the external frame, the

second storage compartment being fastened to the bottom of the external frame.

9. The backpack as claimed in claim 8 further comprising:

a connector associated with the first and second storage compartments for releasably

5 connecting the lower portion of the first storage compartment and the top portion of the second storage compartment, which when connected define an internal cavity for including at least one bicycle wheel between the external frame and the storage compartments.

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